

**What is claimed is:**

1        1.    A method for handling mobile database overflow,  
2    registering an un-registered mobile user located in a  
3    location area, comprising the steps of:

4        obtaining a registration request from a first mobile  
5        user;

6        determining whether the database of a visitor  
7        location register (VLR) is full;

8        registering the first mobile user to a home location  
9        register (HLR) if the database of the VLR is  
10       not full;

11       temporarily storing user data of the first mobile  
12       user in the VLR;

13       translating the location information of a second  
14       mobile user registered in the VLR into a second  
15       location code if the database of the VLR is  
16       full;

17       transferring the registration request and the second  
18       location code to the HLR;

19       resetting the value of a first location code of the  
20       first mobile user as a predetermined value; and

21       deleting user data of the second mobile user and  
22       temporarily storing the user data of the first  
23       mobile user in the VLR.

1       2.    The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the  
2    VLR comprises a location information table.

1       3.    The method as claimed in claim 2, wherein the  
2    location information table comprises a location code

3 field, a location area identifier (LAI) field, and a  
4 Mobile Switch Center (MSC) address field.

1 4. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the  
2 registering step translates the location information of  
3 the second location code into a second location code.

1 5. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein an  
2 extra field is added to the HLR for storing location  
3 codes.

1 6. A system for handling mobile database overflow,  
2 registering an un-registered mobile user located in a  
3 location area comprising a first mobile user sending a  
4 registration request and a second mobile user, at least  
5 comprising:

6 a VLR, storing user data of the second mobile user  
7 and receiving the registration request of the  
8 first mobile user; and

9 an HLR, processing the registration request of the  
10 first mobile user, wherein the VLR determines  
11 whether its database thereof is full, the first  
12 mobile user is registered to the HLR if the  
13 database is not full, user data of the first  
14 mobile user is temporarily stored in the VLR,  
15 location information of the second mobile user  
16 is translated into a second location code if  
17 the database is full, the registration request  
18 and second location code are transferred to the  
19 HLR, the value of a first location code of the  
20 first mobile user is reset as a predetermined

21                   value, the user data of the second mobile user  
22                   is deleted, and the user data of the first  
23                   mobile user is temporarily stored in the VLR.

1           7.    The system as claimed in claim 6, wherein the  
2    VLR comprises a location information table.

1           8.    The system as claimed in claim 7, wherein the  
2    location information table comprises a location code  
3    field, an LAI field, and an MSC address field.

1           9.    The system as claimed in claim 6, wherein the  
2    second location code of the second mobile user is stored  
3    in the HLR when the first mobile user is registered to  
4    the HLR.

1           10.   The system as claimed in claim 6, wherein an  
2    extra field is added to the HLR for storing location  
3    codes.

1           11.   A method for handling mobile database overflow,  
2    by searching for an overflow user, comprising the steps  
3    of:

4           Searching for the mobile user when receiving a call  
5           request to a mobile user;  
6           determining whether the value of the location code  
7           of the mobile user is a predetermined value;  
8           setting up the call between the caller and the  
9           mobile user if the value of the location code  
10          is the predetermined value;  
11          obtaining the location information of the mobile  
12          user in accordance with the location code and a

13           location information table if the value of the  
14           location code is not the predetermined value;  
15           and  
16           re-registering the mobile user for communication.

1           12. The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein the  
2           step of obtaining the location information of the mobile  
3           user further comprises the steps of:

4           a VLR obtaining the location code corresponding to  
5           the mobile user from an HLR;  
6           the VLR looking up the location information table  
7           using the location code of the mobile user to  
8           obtain an MSC address and an LAI of a location  
9           area;

10          the VLR informing the MSC of the location area where  
11          the mobile user resides;

12          the MSC notifying the BSC of the location area to  
13          search for the location of the mobile user;

14          the BSC obtaining the location of the mobile user by  
15          broadcasting to the location area;

16          the MSC obtaining the location of the mobile user  
17          from the BSC;

18          the VLR obtaining the location of the mobile user  
19          from the MSC; and

20          the VLR notifying the HLR of the location of the  
21          mobile user and re-registering the user  
22          information in its database.

1           13. The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein the  
2           location information table comprises a location code  
3           field, an LAI field, and an MSC address field.

1        14. The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein an  
2 extra field is added to the HLR for storing location  
3 codes.

1        15. A system for handling mobile database overflow  
2 to find the location of an overflow user to deliver a  
3 call, comprising a mobile user, at least comprising:  
4        a VLR, comprising a location information table; and  
5        an HLR wherein the HLR determines whether the value  
6           of the location code of the mobile user is the  
7           predetermined value when receiving a call  
8           request to the mobile user, the system sets up  
9           the call between the caller and the mobile user  
10          if the value of the location code is the  
11          predetermined value, the location information  
12          of the mobile user is obtained in accordance  
13          with the location code and a location  
14          information table if the value of the location  
15          code is not the predetermined value, and the  
16          mobile user is re-registered.

1        16. The system as claimed in claim 15, further  
2 comprising a process for obtaining the location  
3 information, wherein the HLR sends the location code of  
4 the mobile user to the VLR, the VLR looks up the location  
5 information table using the location code of the mobile  
6 user to obtain an MSC address and an LAI of a location  
7 area for the mobile user, the VLR informs the MSC of the  
8 location area where the mobile user resides, the MSC  
9 notifies the BSC of the location area to search for the

10 location of the mobile user, the BSC obtains the location  
11 of the mobile user by broadcasting to the location area,  
12 the MSC obtains the location of the mobile user from the  
13 BSC, the VLR obtains the location of the mobile user from  
14 the MSC, the VLR notifies the HLR of the location of the  
15 mobile user and re-registers the user information in its  
16 database.

1 17. The system as claimed in claim 16, wherein the  
2 location information table comprises a location code  
3 field, an LAI field, and an MSC address field.

1 18. The system as claimed in claim 16, wherein an  
2 extra field is added to the HLR for storing the location  
3 codes.